

COOPERATIVE ECONOMIC INSECT SURVEY REPORT
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ARMYWORMS: Growers will soon need to be watching for this pest in wheat. There has been a good flight of moths this spring. Much of the wheat has heavy growth which is preferred by this pest. Larvae eat the leaves and under the right conditions will clip the heads.

VARIEGATED CUTWORM: There has also been a good flight of this pest. The most serious problems occur after the first cutting of alfalfa. Growers should check under windrows after the first cutting. Two to three larvae per square yard can seriously delay regrowth.

HESSIAN FLY: A couple of weeks ago large numbers of flies were noted in some wheat fields in the Dodge City area. The full extent of damage will not be known until after the wheat heads. Once the wheat has headed the infested tillers will turn white and the heads will fail to fill.

FLETCHER SCALE: Found to be heavy on some yews.

WATERLILY APHID: Heavy on some water lilies in a greenhouse.

GREENBUGS: A few were found in wheat in Kiowa County.

PLUM CURCULIO: Larger numbers were trapped this past week in a canopy trap in Kiowa County.

ASH/LILAC BORER: Adults are now flying.

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